2023 School Garden Calendar

December

Garden Tasks

- Continue to prepare your garden for winter. Remove dead plants and cover the soil with leaves, straw or even cardboard instead of leaving it bare.
- Collect and store fallen leaves while they are abundant to add to your compost throughout the year.
- Consider hanging colorful flags or lawn ornaments in the garden to add some cheer!
- Take an inventory of your tools and identify items that need to be sharpened, repaired or replaced.

<u>Grow Your</u> <u>Garden</u> <u>Knowledge</u>

Our very own Mary Dudley teaches this fun, free virtual plant science series

Botany Bistro every other Friday 12-1pm

Join live or catch all the replays on our Youtube Channel <u>here</u>.



Get Organized

- Set goals for spring projects. Winter is the best time to plan ahead for next year's growing season.
- Start to map out your garden beds for the next growing season keeping crop rotation in mind.

Lessons & Curriculum

- Use natural items from the garden (seed heads, dried leaves or flowers) to create holiday gifts for family and community members.
- Winter is a great time to learn about common birds in our region. The bare trees make them much easier to spot.

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